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November 15, 2011

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:
ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 77152
AND AUTHORIZE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR
SAN FERNANDO HIGH SCHOOL TEEN HEALTH CENTER PROJECT
CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 77152
(THIRD DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will establish Capital Project No. 77152 for the San Fernando High School Teen Health Center Project; authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a Joint Powers Agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District; and allow the Department of Public Works to continue with planning and development of the Project, and preparation of the environmental documentation.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Establish Capital Project No. 77152 for the San Fernando High School Teen Health Center Project;
2. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a Joint Powers Agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District governing the construction and operation of the proposed clinic for consideration by your Board; and
3. Authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works to complete the programming and development of the Project and preparation of environmental documentation for the San Fernando High School Teen Health Center Project.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will establish Capital Project No. 77152 for the San Fernando High School Teen Health Center Project (Teen Health Center); authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a Joint Powers Agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD); and allow the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to continue with the scoping documents of the Teen Health Center and proceed with the environmental study.

Background

In April 2008, in joint effort, the County of Los Angeles (County), LAUSD, and others, constructed the Sun Valley Health Center as the first school-based health clinic facility. It established a model of school-based health care that provides primary medical and dental care to a largely uninsured and working class community located on the surrounding area of Sun Valley Middle School.

Proposed Project

The proposed Teen Health Center plans to utilize this school-based health center model to address health status disparities of more than 3,000 low-income students in the San Fernando area. San Fernando High School lies within the San Fernando Valley in an area that has been federally designated as medically underserved and has been federally designated with a health professional shortage for primary care. San Fernando High School is located within the East Valley Health District whose residents include nearly 98,000 adults and 27,000 children who are uninsured. The Teen Health Center will draw students from zip codes 91340 (San Fernando) and 91331 (Pacoima), combined which account for 130,673 residents. Within these two zip codes, 25,055 individuals and 4,226 families live below the Federal poverty level. There is no County-operated health clinic in this area. The proposed Teen Health Center will provide much needed health care access for San Fernando High School, Mission Continuation School, and the McAlister School which specifically serves pregnant teens.

LAUSD and the County are collaborating to establish this integrated school Teen Health Center on the campus of San Fernando High School. The proposed facility will be constructed on a LAUSD-owned site located at 11051 North O'Melveny Avenue on the corner of North O'Melveny Avenue and Chamberlain Street in the northeast San Fernando Valley area of the County.

The proposed Teen Health Center will be a single-story facility of approximately 5,000 square feet. The Teen Health Center will include four medical and two dental examination rooms, four counseling offices, two business offices, an equipment sterilization room, dispensary, laboratory, a nurse's station, and a conference room. This school-based Teen Health Center will provide much needed services, including sports and comprehensive child physicals, chronic disease care (i.e., asthma management), immunizations, mental health counseling, family planning, pregnancy prevention, health counseling, case management, and referrals to specialty care services for students and their families of San Fernando High School, Mission Continuation School, and McAlister School.

To develop and deliver the proposed Project, LAUSD will provide the site for construction and operate the Teen Health Center. The Teen Health Center will be a County-owned facility located on LAUSD property. The County will construct the Teen Health Center, and the Chief Executive Officer will negotiate a Joint Powers Agreement between the County and LAUSD that will specify the terms and conditions of the partnership between LAUSD and the County.

Upon completion of the programming, design-build scoping documents, and environmental documentation in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Works will return to your Board to seek approval of a Joint Powers Agreement with LAUSD, the Project budget, schedule, and the environmental document.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Health and Mental Health (Goal 4), by promoting proven service models and prevention principles that are population based, client centered, and family focused.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is currently \$5,426,000 in Third Supervisorial District Capital Project funds appropriated in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Capital Projects/Refurbishments Budget, under Capital Project No. 77152. Upon completion of the programming, design-build scoping documents, environmental documentation in compliance with CEQA, and determination of the Project budget, Public Works will return to your Board to seek approval of the Project budget.

There is no commitment from the County to contribute to funding the operations of the Teen Health Center. The selected federally-qualified health care provider and any successive provider will be responsible for the operations of the Teen Health Center.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The County is authorized to enter into Joint Powers Agreements with other public entities pursuant to Government Code Section 6500, et seq. The agreement and expenditure of funds for the construction of this public health center is also authorized by Government Code Section 26227, upon the finding of your Board that this cooperative agreement is necessary to meet the social needs of the population of the County in the areas of health and education. A separate joint powers authority for the operations of the Teen Health Center between the County and the operator will not be required.

The Chief Executive Office and Public Works will return to your Board for approval of the Joint Powers Agreement prior to the award of the design-build contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

These recommended actions are not subject to the provisions of CEQA pursuant to the State CEQA Guidelines Code Section 15060(c) (3) as the activities are not a "Project" as defined in CEQA Guidelines Code Section 15378 in that they involve merely an organizational or administrative activity of government that does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

As required by CEQA, an appropriate environmental document will be prepared for this Project and circulated for agency and public review. Public Works will return to your Board for consideration of the environmental document prior to award of the design-build contract.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Public Works will be using in-house staff to complete the programming phase and the development of design-build scoping documents for the Project. Public Works will contract for the preparation of the environmental documentation through one of its Board-approved as-needed contracts. Public Works intends to use the design-build delivery method to complete final design and construction of the Project.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will have no impact on current services or projects.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division; Department of Health Services; Department of Mental Health; and the Department of Public Works, Project Management Division I.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. T. Fujioka', written over the printed name.

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Chief Executive Officer

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